I think that NAB's petition 04-160 is nothing more than a cheap shot for public radio to get its way.

I LOVE my XM Sattellite radio, and although I rarely check on the traffic or weather stations, it is ALOT more convenient to have one dedicated channel, than to have to wait through commercials, or songs, just to get a 2 minute report.

I cant help but to parrallel this with The Weather Channel on cable TV. I dont hear of any other TV stations complaning because consumers might want to watch another station to get thier weather, especially a channel dedicated to weather. But i guess you have to pay for cable TV. Kind of like Sattelite radio.

XM is a subscription service, we have to pay in order to hear it. It offers an incredible variety of almost anything you could think to put on the radio, and great quality sound as well. I dont feel that the NAB should be allowed to place restrictions on these sattelite services.

I ask that you please reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and support XM's (or any other sattelite radio provider's) ability to provide the services I've grown to love in my time as a subscriber.